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Skagit County: Boil-water advisory ends for Cape Horn community

OLYMPIA — Residents of the Cape Horn community in Skagit County no longer need to boil their tap water. Lab tests confirm the water again meets safe drinking water standards.

The Cape Horn Maintenance Company, which provides water service to the area, issued the advisory on Sept. 5 after potentially harmful *E. coli* bacteria were detected in the water. The advisory affected about 700 people in the residential and recreational community on the Skagit River a few miles southwest of Concrete.

The bacteria were detected during a routine water quality monitoring test. Because this was the third confirmed *E. coli* contamination within the last year, the state Department of Health required the utility to install permanent disinfection treatment.

The utility is treating the water before it enters the distribution system water samples show the water is safe to drink.

Cape Horn customers with questions about their water quality can call 800-895-8821. The [Department of Health website](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, [find us on Facebook](#) and [follow us on Twitter](#).

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